Fitzwilliam Economic Committee

Nov 5, 2018: Fitzwilliam Town Hall

In attendance: Adrianna Stefanko, Caroline Tremblay, & Steve Reinhart

Absent: Danielle Jacques, Chelley Tighe, Suzanne Gray, Skip Hagstrom, & Mary Belle Isle

Guest: Dorothy Zug

Minutes: Aug 6, 2018 & Oct 22, 2018 approved

Adrianna started the meeting at 7:05pm.

The meeting began with the members introducing themselves to Dorothy Zug. Dorothy attended the meeting to share her interest in having the town acquire the Meadowood property. She mentioned that Meadowood, a nonprofit 501c, was a fire fighting training center. Since the State of NH now does all the training, Meadowood is in the process of dissolving. Previously, the select board asked the Recreation Department to take a look at it. They found that it needed \$200,000 for renovations and because it may contain some contamination, they declined. Dorothy stated she is visiting various town boards and committees to try to put together a task force to further look into the interest. She pointed out that discussion needs to focus on the repair costs, the needs, & the revenue potential. She has planned the first meeting for Nov 14, 2018 at the town hall and a tour of the facility for Nov 17, 2018 at Meadowood.

The committee thanked Dorothy for her visit and the discussion then continued about the contamination issues, the cost to alleviate, and who to contact for more information.

Faire

Caroline noticed that the postcard she is sending out does not have a location to write a message, only an address area. These postcards will need to have a blank sticker affixed to accommodate the personal message. She also shared that she has a draft of the survey, which will be sent to all the vendors, that is almost complete and will be sent this week. Caroline informed the group that she and Suzanne met with the Select Board last week and it seems they were thrilled with how the Faire turned out.

Next CCC event:

This next CCC event will be held Dec 3, 2018 at the Fitzwilliam Inn with a theme of **Holiday & Charitable**. Steve recommended using the ball of yarn as an ice breaker/introduction, although it may be tinsel or garland to fit with the holiday theme. Also planned is a Yankee Swap in the form of a product, service or mentoring opportunity. Caroline will take care of the sandwich boards and Marion will create a Facebook event. Adrianna will email past attendees and Steve will make the phone calls. Members worked on a script to use to keep it all consistent when using the email, phone calls, & FB event. Also planned for this event is to market the next upcoming event which has been decided to be March 18, 2019.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15pm. The next meeting is scheduled for Nov 26, 2018.

Minutes taken by Marion Wheeler